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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 7, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTIONS

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 7, 2003. Applicants enclose herewith a Petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and a \$465.00 check as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). With this extension of time, the present Amendment and Response is due on August 7, 2003. Applicants also enclose herewith a Notice of Appeal and a \$160.00 check for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Applicants believe that no additional fees are due with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee due with this submission, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference 26448-523 REI.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are shown starting on page 4 of this paper.

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